

Applicant notes that the election of species is for the purpose of prosecution on the merits, and that Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species upon allowance of a generic claim. Presently, Claims 1, 26, 32 and 33 are generic. Applicant identifies Claims 2-7, 9-11, 24, 25, 27-31 and 34-43 as being readable thereon.

Preliminary Amendment

Prior to substantive examination, Applicant requests that the following amendments be made to the above-referenced application.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 27, and add Claim 43, as follows.

In Claim 27, line 1, delete "Claim 25" and insert therefor --Claim 26--.

Please add the following claim.

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Claim 43. (new) The method of Claim 1, wherein the odorant comprises a mixture of a licorice-based odorant and a cucumber odorant.

REMARKS

Consideration of newly added Claim 43 is requested. Claims 1-11 and 24-43 are presently pending.

It is respectfully submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is urged to telephone the undersigned attorney if any questions should arise.

Respectfully submitted,

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